The City of St. Marys Seeks Citizens to Serve on Flood Awareness Committee

COMMUNITY RATING SYSTEM'S PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC INFORMATION STEERING

COMMITTEE: National Flood Insurance Program's Community Rating System (CRS) calls for the formation of a Program for Public Information (PPI) Committee to guide public outreach and press relations. The City of St. Marys is looking to appoint interested stakeholders in forming a joint PPI with Camden County towards gaining more credits in future CRS applications.

The City of St. Marys is seeking three volunteers to serve on a joint steering committee with Camden County representatives to develop a public participation plan for Flood Hazard Awareness, as part of the City's commitment to the CRS. The CRS will lower flood insurance costs for area residents and benefit the entire city in preparation for flood events. Steering Committee members will meet for quarterly meetings to develop the PPI and serve yearly terms, under the discretion of the City Council.

With the City's entry into the CRS program, the City is projected to save area residents approximately \$1,000 yearly on a \$100,000 house flood insurance policy. These savings, along with flood mitigation and hazard awareness are just some of the information that the committee will work with to build resilience across St. Marys and Camden County.

The Steering Committee will be composed of interested individuals from the following areas:

- Floodplain residents or HOA reps
- Emergency disaster responders
- Utility companies
- Chamber of commerce or business organizations
- Builders, contractors and local trade professionals
- Developers/real estate organizations
- Environmental organizations
- Insurance agencies and lenders, especially flood insurers
- Major area employers
- Other government agencies outside the community

Those interested in applying to be a member of this important committee should fill out the attached form and return to the City Clerk's Office, 418 Osborne Street, St. Marys, Georgia 31558, before October 5th. If you have any questions regarding this opportunity or the City of St Marys, please contact Jeff Adams, St. Marys Community Development Director at <u>Jeff.Adams@stmarysga.gov</u> or (912) 510-4035.

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CITY OF ST. MARYS CRS PPI Committee Application

Date
Name:
Address:
City, State, and Zip:
Contact Phone Numbers:
E-mail Address:
Please list all that qualify: Live within the city of St. Marys Have served on a city or county board, committee or commission in the past 5 years Work in insurance Work in banking, lending or finance Currently live or own property in a flood hazard area Describe your current qualifications for the position including education, skills, abilities, and work experience:
Describe why you are interested in serving on this committee?
Describe any prior or current business and/or personal relationships which might present a conflict of interest in potential representation of the City on this committee:
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^{*} Please submit application to: City Clerk's Office, 418 Osborne Street, St. Marys, Georgia 31558